

Remarks

The Examiner has stated that not all documents in the previously filed information disclosure statement have been considered, since legible copies of each document were not submitted. In response thereto, the Applicant believes that resubmittal of these documents is not required at this time, since those documents represent general background art which is not pertinent to the patentability of the invention as claimed.

The Examiner has objected to the specification as including reference to specific claim numbers, referring to the last two lines of page 2. In response thereto, the Applicant has made an appropriate amendment. The Applicant would like to point out to the Examiner that this change in the specification had already been requested in the preliminary amendment but was apparently not entered by the US PTO.

Claims 13 through 24 stand rejected under 35 USC 112 second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention. In formulating the rejection, the Examiner refers, beginning on page 2 item 4. and continuing to page 3 item 9. of the office action, to specific features of claims 13, 14, 21, 23 and 24. In response thereto, appropriate amendments have been taken in which a conscientious attempt has been made to address each and every point raised by the Examiner with regard to the 35 USC 112 second paragraph rejections. Review and acceptance is therefore requested.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 13 through 24 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections of the 35 USC 112 second paragraph set forth in the Office Action. The Applicant therefore submits that this application is now in a position for allowance and respectfully requests passage to issuance.

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